

TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 6:34pm. Selectmen present were James McIlroy, Janet Smith and Roberta Gerkin. Others present were Chief Art Reed, Brian Knipstein, Lindsay Carroll, Diana Toth and Wendy Chase.

James looked at the trees Brian had flagged to be cut down on Halls Mill Road. Janet will go and look sometime this week. Janet reminded Brian that when the trees are cut on Halls Mill Road the trees at the Hilton Cemetery need to be taken care of.

The Selectmen asked Brian's opinion on whether or not the Town owned the center of cul-de-sacs. Brian thought that the Town did own them. If the Town were to maintain them they would be mowed once or twice a year.

James discussed holding a public hearing on the spring and fall cleanup days. Brian thinks it is a good idea.

Lindsay Carroll and Diana Toth were in on behalf of the Historical Society. The Newfields Historical Society would like to host the Thomas Adams Gundalow on July 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. It will be coming to Exeter for the Revolutionary War event and stop and anchor at the town landing for people to board. The Gundalow is 75' long and 20' wide and is owned by the Gundalow Company.

They would like different organizations involved in the event such as the Boy Scouts, Library, Celebration Committee and different Churches in Town. Janet asked if they would need a police detail and they think they will. The Selectmen will need a copy of the Gundalow Company's liability insurance. The Historical Society will do a bulk mailing to inform the town's people.

The Selectmen are invited to attend a meeting hosted by the towns of Hampton and Exeter in regards to discussing a new location for the Exeter District Court. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Janet will attend. Chief Reed commented that many area Police Departments would rather see 2 smaller Court Houses rather than 1 large Court House. The State will make the final decision on where it will be located.

A letter from Comcast was read informing the Selectmen that the request for accessing Channel 22 was denied at this time. Wendy was directed to send a copy to Ray Trueman. Janet will call Brian Christiansen from Comcast.

The Selectmen reviewed the H. Roger Smith ZBA decision. The variance was granted to build 1 single family residence on the lot.

Correspondence on the Les Case case was reviewed.

Chief Reed informed the Selectmen that the Speed Grant is underway and the DWI Grant will start soon.

Chief Reed found out that the bike race that went through Town last weekend was Phillips Exeter Academy. Chief Reed informed the Coach that future races would require a Police Detail.

James informed the Board that he spoke to Senator Maggie Hassan in regards to LCHIP funding. Budgeting for LCHIP is before the Senate now.

James signed the NOAA application for Federal assistance as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.

Gayle Lucauw donated her flag which flew over Gettysburg to the Fire Department.

Wendy was directed to contact Reuben Hull and ask him if the Town owned cul-de-sacs and if we should implement impact fees to maintain drainage systems.

James made a motion to approve the minutes of May 24, 2005 as amended, Janet seconded and all were in favor.

Wendy was directed to contact Mr. Gallant and see if he looked at the rocks for the Hilton Monuments.

Wendy will email the Budget Advisory Committee and let them know that Win Fream was appointed as a member of the Committee and to invite the members to the June 21<sup>st</sup> Selectmen's meeting.

The Board decided to hold a public hearing for the spring and fall cleanups on August 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:45pm and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy V. Chase